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System and Method for Distributing Proximity Information Using a Two-Tiered Bootstrap Process

ABSTRACT

A system and method for using an adaptable agent for downloading information to a handheld device in conjunction with the admittance to an event is presented. When a person attends an event, a generic bootstrap agent is downloaded into the persons' handheld device. The bootstrap agent downloads a lifecycle control agent that is the primary agent that requests and receives information corresponding to the event. Both agents monitor each other and restart each other if an agent is determined to not be operating properly. The agent is temporary and is removed when the event concludes. Information, or content, that is downloaded to the user's handheld device may be stored for later retrieval after the event, or the information may be removed following a certain time limit as determined by the information vendor.